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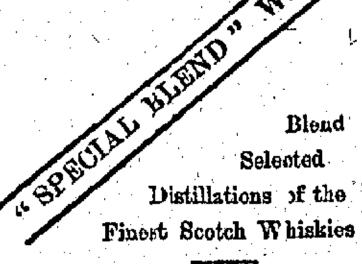
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LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

Hongkong, 30th April, 1904 THE war news of the last two days is of a varying character, both sides apparently having a success of some kind to their credit. The Japaness have succeeded in crossing the Yalu River at a point a little to the south of the Corean town of Wiju, using a pontoon to take them across in place of the bridge destroyed by the Russians after their retreat to the northern bank. As they are not reported by news coming from Russian source to have been driven back we may presume that they have made good their foothold, supported no doubt by part of the Japanese fleet, which could operate with effect in the Yalu estuary. On the other hand the Japanese have lost a transport near Gensan on the north-east coast of Corea. Our Kobe correspondent's telegram only says that the Kinshiu-Maru is "reported wrecked," but as the Russian Vladivostock squadron, reinforced, it is believed, by some smaller vessels sent overland in sections from S. Petersburg, is apparently at sea and able to do damage off Corea, it is more probable that the version of the story which makes the destruction of the ship a Russian success is correct. Great regret must be felt at this blow, but it is difficult to imagine how the Japanese can have neglected to secure the safety of a transport by providing an The Vladivostock squadron, more ably handled than that at Port Arthur, may have outwitted the Japanese warships watching it; but even in that case the presence of an unguarded transport near Gensan would be a piece of grave temerity. Further particulars may throw a different ight upon the affair.

ments which have reached us lately, it is not possible yet to figure out even roughly the plan of dampaign. The main operations seem still directed against the Russian position on the Yalu. Newchwang, against which an attack was reported to be immediately impending some weeks ago, stil remains untouched by the Japanese. We see that the Shanghai Mercury's special war correspondent, who still remains at Chefoo, wrote last week that he considered it highly improbable that the Japanese will attempt to land their forces at Newchwang, that is, as long as the Rossians defend the place. Being unable, he says, owing to the paucity of the water, to cover such a landing by the guns of their fleet, they would find the undertaking hazardous in the extreme. Still it is to be noted that, according to Chinese accounts, there are only a few thousand Russian troops at Newchwang, though reinforcements could no doubt he thrown in without much delay. Russia is credited with the intention of not holding the line of the Yalu more than temporarily, but of falling back on a Fenghwangeheng-Liaoyang front, in anticipation perhaps of being unable to pro vent a Japanese landing at the head of the Gulf of Corea and west of the Yalu. Such a policy would offer the Japanese an op-3.00 portunity of turning the Russian flank again at Fenghwangcheng, as they are now 1.00 trying to do opposite Wiju. It would also leave Port Arthur isolated. It is true that 4.50 Lit would be in accordance with the Parthian policy which was attributed to Russia soon 2.00 after the outbreak of the war. In the meantime there is no sign of Russian retreat 5.00 in North-east Corea. Cossack troops have penetrated some distance in the direction of Gensan, and the Vladivostock fleet is somewhere in the neighbouring waters. The presence of a Japanese transport near Gensan appears to indicate that the Japanese too are resuming the activity on the east coast which they commenced to show before but abandoned on account of the unfavourable weather. The thought suggests itself that a trap may have been laid for the Vladivostock squadron similar to that in which Admiral MAKAROFF's ships were caught. If so, a short space of time should prove this. It may be remembered that the [31 report (wrong in that case) of the capture of a Japanese transport preceded the Russian disaster at Port Arthur.

The German Mail of the 30th March was delivered in London on the 28th inst.

It is said that large numbers of Japanese labourers are entering the Philippines-sub tent before 11 a.m. on day of publication. After that | rosa, of course-and that the Insular Government is keeping quiet on the subject.

> The P. & O. s.s. Mongolia, on the London-Australia run, which attained some notoriety by outpacing a Russian warship on a recent voyage out, is proving extremely popular with people travelling between the Southern Continent and the Mother Country.

Captain E. G. Bellairs, who went through the American-Spanish war as correspondent for the American Associated Press, and is known by many at Hongkong, has arrived at Australia from America. He may possibly go on to the East in connection with the present war.

Mr. Seddon, in a speech at Wellington made further reference to the question of Chinese labour for the Transvaal. It was painful to realise, he said, that after the colony's sacrifice during the war, the Transvaal, so far as labour was concerned, was to be handed over to Asiatics. They never thought that the Chinese Dragon was to be emblazoned on the Union Jack in the Transvaal."

On the 22nd inst. Yuan, Taotai of Shanghai was telegraphically instructed by the Waiwupu that the portrait of the Empress Downger, to be exhibited at the S. Louis Exposition and after to be presented to the United States, was on its way South from Tientsin by the Heinchi. The portrait (which was painted by Miss Carl, as we recorded some time ago) is to be placed in the Temple of Longovity in Shanghai native city, pending the arrival of the American mail:

All who are interested in submarine warfare will hear with regret of the death of Mr. Herbert C. Fyfe at Ventnor last month. Mr. Fyfe was for a number of years assistant secretary and librarian at the Royal Institution in Albemarle Street. He only quitted the Institution because his duties there left him too little time for literary work. He was a constant contributor to the magazines, chiefly on scientific subjects treated in a popular way; and his book on Submarine Warfare, published a year and a half ago, was widely welcomed as the first attempt to put on record in permanent form all that is known about this branch of naval activity. The volume had an immediate success. It has been translated into many languages, and the Admiralty have ordered copies to be placed in the library of every one of his Majesty's ships. Unfortunately, the effort of gathering the materials for his work brought on the disease to which Mr. Fyfe has succumbed at an early age. He was the second son of the late Mr. James Hamilton Fyfe, a well-known author and

journalist, and was only in his 31st year.

Two mere fatal Chinese plague cases were In spite of the news of Japanese movereported yesterday, both bodies being "dumped" at Shaukiwan.

> The Kinnguan Arsenal at Shanghai is to be removed to Wuhu, a site there having just been selected. The cost of the removal is estimated at 3,000,000 tacls.

The China Times learns that a new transport company is to be started from Chefoo' to the Yellow River. Two steamers have already been purchased. There are also launches to run up to Hsinaufu with lighters. Cargo will be lightered from the mouth of the Yellow River. The business of the company is favoured by the Chinese Government, and the capital invested in the enterprise is 500,000 taels.

annual report of the Manufacturers Life Insurance Co., from which it appears that the assurance in force on the 31st day of December, after deducting all terminations by death, maturity, surrender and otherwise, was \$34,392,303, a very satisfactory increase of \$4,239,420, which is over 40 per cent, more than the gain in any previous year. The net premiums paid in eash were \$1.219,435.91, and interest and profit on the sale of scenrities \$215,852.67, making the total cash income \$1,435,288.58, an increase over 1902 of \$194,398.75. The payments to policy-holders aggregated \$366,533.04 and the excess of income over all payments was \$690,985,82.

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The Japanese authorities ceased on the 29th ultimo to issue permits to war correspondents to accompany the forces, and no more permits will be issued under any circumstances. If this is the case, several well-known war correspondonts who have arrived in Japan since that date will experience a disappointment. There are still some fifty war correspondents who, though they have obtained permits, are awaiting permission to go to the front. Up to the present the number of foreign correspondents who have actually been permitted to go to the front is, we believe, not more than twelve, with an equal number of correspondents for Japanese papers.

With regard to the Tibet Mission the Times of India writes:-The Tibetans will never realise that we are in earnest until a British force has appeared before Lhasa. In January 1903, the Government of India informed the home authorities that until a conference had passivity and obstruction" would be broken | Australian station. down. Their views were overruled by the British Cabinet, and it was only subsequently that an advance to Gyantse was sanctioned. But just as it took a military movement on Peking to bring the Chinese to reason, so nothing short of a temporary entry into Lhassa will terminate the difficulties that now attend our relations with Tibet.

Mr. J. R. Hull, late of Manila, writes to the Sunday Sun of that place from Shanghai:-" A Sunday Sun in Shanghai! Is it possible? And who suggested it? Why, 'Little Johnny,' of course. And whom to? Why, the editor of the North China Daily News. Will it pay? Well, just ask Johnny Kelly and the editor of the News. But they haven't started it yet. The money end is thinking it over. All joking aside, there is a proposition on foot for the publication of a weekly paper, patterned after the Sunday Sun, here in Shanghai, and it is proposed to publish the same from the presses of the North China Daily News, the most conservative and unreadable sheet in the Orient, to which the British Government pays a fat annual subsidy." We note that the letter is dated the 1st April. Can there be any significance in

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[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

THE WAR

JAPANESE TRANSPORT RE-PORTED WRECKED.

Кове, 28:h Ар., 9.50 р.т.

It is reported that the Japanese Messrs. Bradley & Co. send us the 17th transport Kinshiu-maru has been wrecked on the Corean coast, near Gensan, but no particulars are forthcoming yet.

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THE WAR.—THE RUSSIAN BALTIC FLEET.

LONDON, 27th April. The Russian Admiralty proposes to despatch the Baltic fleet by Suez and colliers by the Cape, appointing a readzoous in the Indian

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY IN WAR TIME.

London, 27th April.

It is understood that Russia's contention regarding wireless telegraphy meets with a good deal of support from naval and military men of the maritime Powers.

POLITICAL OUTRAGE IN SPAIN.

London, 27th April.

A band of firty anti-clericals armed with revolversopeneda fusilladeon the Spanish Premier leaving Alicante station in a train. The gendarmes escorting the Premier returned the fire wounding two. The Premier's carriage was struck in ten places but the occupants were uninjured.

RACING.-THE TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS.

LONDON, 27th April. St. Amant Jehn O'Gaunt ... Henry I. 3 NAVAL NOTES.

H.M.S. "EURYALUS."

Vice-Admiral Fanshawe, on the Australian station, will in future carry his flag on H.M.S. Euryalus. This large armoured cruiser arrived been held at Lhasa, they did not regard it as in at Hobart recently from England via Albany. the least likely that "the wall of Tibetan im- to relieve the Royal Arthur as flagship on the

H.M.S. "ANDROMEDA." H.M.S. Audromeda, Capt. Nelson Ommanney. the relief for H.M.S. Blenheim, arrived from Portsmouth yesterday. She left Singapore on 24th inst., and had a fine passage.

H.M.S. Cressy arrived from Mirs Bay yes-

H.M.S. CRESSY.

PORTUGUESE CELEBRATION AT HONGKONG.

Yesterday, being a Portuguese national fete day, known as the "Outorga da Carta Constitucional," the anniversary of the signing the Charter of the Constitution of Portugal, by Dom Pedro IV in the palace of Rio de Janeiro in 1826, was celebrated at Hongkong. Warships, British and otherwise, dressed ship, and salutes were fixed at noon. In the afternoon a tea-party was given aboard the Portuguese battleship Vasco da Gama, and the Portuguese cruiser Adamastor also indulged in light festivity.

At Macao the occasion was observed as general gala day, Government offices being

PORTUGUESE MINISTER TO PEKING.

The Portuguese Minister to Peking is stil at Shanghai on diplomatic business, arranging certain treaties regarding South China. The Vasco da Gama leaves for Shanghai tomorrow, and the Adamastor on the 15th of next month, both to meet the Minister and be under his orders at Tientsin.

THEATRICAL DISPUTE IN MANILA.

The Manila Sunday Sun for the past two months has been conducting a very vigorous campaign against the management of the Orpheum Theatre in Manila. We mentioned the grounds of complaint and the outcome of the quarrel the other day. Briefly, the Sunday Sun alleged that the house was run chiefly for the liquor license and that the actresses were allowed to drink in the private boxes with patrons of the show. The management ejected Mr. O'Brien one night because of criticisms which had appeared in his paper, and the Sun's editor thereupon announced that his paper would pay for its seats in future and insist on its independence. The Sun now announces that Messrs. Levy and Jones are proposing to open houses similar to the Orpheum in Shanghai and Hongkong, with the permission of the authorities, and that Mr. Levy is in Shanghai making arrangements now.

WAR NOTES.

SHANGHAI PEWS. The following telegrams are from the N. C.

Daily News :-" Peking, 23rd April.—Seventeen mechanical mines have been laid by the Russians in the Lino river, covering a distance of five miles between the forts and the mouth of the river. They are operated by electricity from the forts Twenty-eight guns and two search-lights have been put up on the forts. A foreign journalist who has arrived from Newchwang states that the Russian troops near Newchwang amount altogether to about three thousand men and sixty guns. The Russian troops over all Manchuria do not exceed 170,000 in number."

"Tokyo, 24th April.—According to Viceroy another skirmish on the Yalu on the 21st inst., on board three junks were sighted by the ing the enormity of the conflagration there were slightly injured."

coming events. The Russian squadron is other inflammables. lurking in the harbour, tired of its recent quietude."

FROM JAPANESE PAPERS. The Russian gunboat Sivoutch is reported to have left Newchwang on the 15th inst.

Admiral Uhktomsky is said to have officially reported that the Russian ironclad Pobicda was torpedoed amidships.

There appears to be much uncertainty as to when the reported collision between the Poltava and Senastopol in the entrance to the harbour | sources. at Port Arthur took place. It is now stated to have occurred "some days previously" to the last attack. It will have been noticed that the Sevastopol was not in the fleet that came out under Admiral Makaroff on the 13th.

Two incidents, showing the state of affairs in Cores. The section of the Seoul-Wiji railway | time. between Kai-song and Phyong-san, i.e. about a sixth of the line, is expected to be ready for trafic next mouth.

The Kobe Chronicle says :- Since the outbreak of the war, a large number of persons of all classes in Japan have volunteered to serve as soldiers or as military coolies. Some old men have actually applied to form a battotai, which in feudal or samurai times was a body of young and lusty men, who with drawn fords rushed at the enemy regardless of consequences. Other applicants are immature youths. Others again make applications written in their own blood. To all these the authrities make it known that there is no necessity at present for volunteers

A despatch dated Tokyo, 27th inst., to the Japanese News Agency in Tientsin, gives the following information concerning the attack on Port Arthur on the 13th inst :-- The Japanese Fleet which took part in the attack on Port Arthur from the 11th to the 16th inst. numbered 32 vessels, viz, 6 first class battleships 2 irouclad cruisers, 4 cruisers, 12 torpedo-boat destroyers and 8 torpedo-boats. It is stated in Japanese official circles that most of the credit for the action at Port Arthur lays with Captains Taneda and Adachi, who laid the mixes upon which the enemy's ships struck.

THE RUSSIAN VOLUNTEER FLEET.

It is declared in Volunteer Fleet circles at Odessa that there is no doubt whatever of the Russian Government's intention to draft several of the fleet's transports out to the Far East with the reinforcements to be sent out later on from European waters. It is added that these Volunteer Fleet transports will hoist the naval flag outside the Dardanelles, fix their quickfiring guns, and be used at a later date mainly as commerce-destroyers. The vessels will, it is stated, sail from the Black Sea under commanders and officers on the active service list and with crews almost exclusively composed of mon belonging to the navy.

RUSSO-JEWISH SURGEONS.

The following letter signed "H. W. W. appears in the Times :- In his mention on March 11 of the "vexatious measures" practised by the Russian authorities against the families of Jewish reservists your Paris Correspondent fails to bring out the refinement of cruelty which gives to those measures a double sting. Jewish medical men are impressed in undae proportion for fighting against the modern "children of Ammon." These Urishs gone, in the service of their country, the rulers of that grateful country discover that the legal ground for tolerating their Jewish families in certain half-open towns had ceased to exist. For in such towns only Jewish families are allowed to reside whose head practises a certain profession in the same town. And having a great zeal for "orthodox" religion they take advantage of their first wrong to commit a second under cover of the letter of the law, not in marrying the deserted Buthsheba, but in ridding those particular parts of "Holy Russia" of the presence of unclean persons by turning her and her children out of their home and making them live in the ghette. Surely, whatever a modern Nathan may think of the uprightness of these Eastern defenders of Christianity, we shall have to give them credit for great ingenuity.

POLLARD'S LILLIPUTIANS AGAIN TO VISIT HONGKONG.

Pollard's Lilliputian Opera Company has returned to Melbourne after a two years' tour. Mr. C. A. Pollard stated at Brisbane that commissary, and medical way are being made. his company was just finishing up, after a successful tour through the Far East, United Cablenews and is dated Washington, 23rd States, and Canada. They will remain for about three months in Victoria, and start off again in July for a two or three years' tour in the East, visiting Hongkong, and afterwards they will go to San Francisco.

ANOTHER FIRE AT THE KOWLOON GODOWNS.

NO. 9 GODOWN RAZED TO THE GROUND, Fire broke out at No. 9 Godown, of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. at about midnight on Thursday. The first engine on the scene was that of the Godown Company, and the second an engine from the Naval Yard. The blaze soon spread right over the building, merchandise stored therein being of an inflammable nature. At one corner there seemed to be spirits, or kerosene oil, the fire there showing very fierce. The sky was lighted for miles around, great tongues of fire rising high into the air. Two steamers lying alongside the wharves were covered with sparks it being found necessary to use hoses as a safe_ Alexieff's report dated the 22nd, there was guard against their catching fire. Eventually, the fire became so hot, they had to let go their near Yong-ampho. Forty Russians who were moorings and anchor in the stream. Consider-Japanese who immediated repulsed them. Two | very fow spectators, most people at that time being Japanese were killed, three Russian privates in the "land of dreams." Perhaps there were 300 were killed, an officer and eleven privates badly lookers-on. Engines continued to arrive, the injured, and an officer and four privates Government fire-float crossing from Hongkong. and a manual being dragged from the Torpedo "Tokyo, 24th April.-It is reported that the Depot. The contents of the building consisted ice has thawed at Vladivostock, foreshadowing of matches, matting, candles, trusses of hay, and

> The roof crashed in at about one o'clock allowing the flames to ascend without obstruction. It was a grand sight, the Brigade and sailors fighting the flamos, while marines and Indian regulars kept the public out of the way. An attempt was made to get some of the merchandise out of the godown but all they could manage was to rescue a few candles.

> The fire was under control by 2 o'clock, there being any amount of water from the different

> The Brigade and sailors worked "like niggers," bursting in locked doors with plombs so as to get at the burning stores. The disaster, luckily, was confined to a single block, a one-story building. There were no great explosions, only one or two minor reports evidently due to kerosene

Godown No. 9, Mr. Osborne, Sec. of the Godown Co., states, is insured for \$22,000.00 with Hongkong Fire and China Fire, half eachprobably total loss. The fire was caused by fumes from arrack (a rice-spirit from Java) becoming ignited by a gas-lamp. Men were working in the godown at the time of the first ig nition when the atmosphere surrounding the arrack suddenly burst into bine flame. Arrack was in course of being landed from lighters ox s.s. Tjitatjap, and some of the cases leaked on to the godown floor, thus causing the fumes. The importation of arrack is of comparatively. recent date and there seems little doubt that it also caused the fire on 10th.

MASONIC.

DISTRICT GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF HONGKONG AND SOUTH CHINA,

The annual meeting of the above took place at the Masonic Temple, Zetland Street, last night. M. E. Comp. L. Mallory presided The following officers were appointed :-

Second Principal, M. E. Comp. L. Mallory. Third Principal, M. E. Comp. T. F. Hough. Scribe "E," M. E. Comp. A. O'D. Gourdin. Scribe " N," M. E. Comp. J. G. Gotz. P.B.G.P., M. E. Comp. D. Macdonald. Treasurer, M. E. Comp. W. L. Ford. Registrar, M. E. Comp. G. J. B. Sayer.

Grand Sojourner, G. R. Lammert. First Assistant Sojourner, G. P. Burnett. Second Assistant Sejourner, E. J. Laprintz. Sword Bearer, M. E. Comp. E. A. Stantan. Standard Bearers, M. E. Comp. H. Bathurst,

Comp. E. H. Ray, Comp. H. Sykes, and

Comp. A. H. Skelton. D. of C., Comp. J. W. L. Oliver. Deputy D. of C., Comp. W. H. Woolley. Assistant D. of C., Comp. J. W. C. Bonnar. Organist, Comp. C. W. Longuet. Janitor, Comp. J. Vanstone.

CORRESPONDENCE.

BAND PERFORMANCES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hougkong, 29th April. Sir,-If your correspondent "Gold Lace" magines he is going to entice me into a disquisition with him, he is deluding himself with vain hopes, and I therefore must decline to take any further notice of his disjointed and illogitcal remarks. The little footnote which you have appended to his letter will, I hope, afford him food for reflection. My former letters were not written to suit the views of military officers on the subject of Band performances, but rather to expose in the most complete manner a state of things which I venture to say would not, for one single instant, be tolerated in any other British Colony. Having therefore accomplished that end, although with some opposition, I consider my task ended.—Yours,

SEMIBREVE.

THE PANAMA CANAL.

THE U.S. ARE SOLE OWNER.

The Panama canal contract is closed. The United States is now sole owner of the canal and all the works which have been done in and around it. The French company's claims have been fully satisfied. Work will be pressed at once, as the need of the canal from a commercial and strategic standpoint becomes more apparent daily. Immense preparations in a mechanical,

This piece of news appears in the Manila April. It will have been noted that Renter's telegram of the 25th instant stated that the Washington Cabinet had "decided to exempt labourers for the Panama Canal from the Chinese exclusion laws."

FIRE BRIGADE EVOLUTIONS.

SMART DISPLAY IN HONGKONG.

The Hongkong Fire Brigade turned out for inspection yesterday afternoon at Sutherland Street Compound, off Des Voeux Road, and at the back of the Ko Shing Theatre in Queen' Road. The spot was well chosen for the purpose. A large number of spectators, mostly Chinese, gathered around.

At 2.30 p.m. the men were lined out close up with their backs against the eastern wal There were some 36 Europeans dressed in blue with red facings and highly polished brass and black glazed belinets, the latter glittering brightly in the sun. Tailed on were some twodozen Chinamen dressed much the same as the Europeans with the exception that they were red mushroom nats, similar to those c lukongs in the Hongkong Police Force.

Two escapes and several hose-reels had been brought to the place, and other paraphernalia showed up around the corner. The two old engines were on the Praya.

The Captain Superintendent of Police, Mr. J. F. Badeley, Mr. E. R. Hallifax. Deputy Captain-Superintendent of Police, and Mr. H. G. Baker, Chief Inspector of Police, were dressed much the same as the rest in Brigade uniform.

His Excellency Mr. F. H. May, and Mrs. May, arrived in chairs at about 2.40, being received by Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, Assistant Superintendent of Police. Accommodation had of a house in Des Voeux Road.

DESPATCH-BOX DRILL. The evolutions commenced with a display in running out despatch-boxes. This was done from two quarters. Messrs. Badeley and Hallifax acting as timekeepers. Each man in turn had to connect, run out one length of hose, fix on the branch-pipe and hand it to an motion of turning on the water. FIRE-ESCAPE.

The fire-escapes were then manœuvr ed. On squad of six men ran the fire-escape up against the building to be operated on, and raised the telescope ladder by means of winches. In the meantime another squad of three men ran out the hose-reel connected the coupling to the mains, brought the other end of the hose to the ladder, fixed on a branch-pipe, and hoisted it up the ladder to a man already in position. Both fire-escapes, the large one 75ft. long, and the other 62ft., were manipulated, the small one exclusively by Chinese. There were three shops ran launches free from Hongkong and complete sets of Europeans, and three of Chinese.

LADDER DRILL

manipulated a hose in the same manner as with | might be. the fire-escapes.

THE GRAND DISPLAY. Finally there was a general display, two escapes and two ladders simultaneously being called into requisition. Six seperate lines of hoses were rushed from the Praya, where they were coupled on to fire-engines-there were three fire-engines—two on to each engine. All ready, the pumping was commenced, with the result that a very pretty spectacle was to be seen. Siv jets of water, two from branch-pipes held by firemen on top of the escapes, two by men on the bamboo ladders, and two from the ground, sprang into the air, the clear liquid breaking into fine spray towards the top of its ascent. There was a very fair force of water, that from the ground level going sufficiently high to go over an ordinarysized Des Voeux Road house.

WATER POLO.

GOOD PROSPECTS FOR THE SHIELD SERIES. Various teams intending to compete for the Water Polo Shield are about to commence practice. The competition is open, and judging by experience of other years, its various matches will be very intersting from a spectacular viewpoint. Last year the Hongkong Volunteers carried honours, so this season it is to be taken for granted that they will endeavour hard to defend their laurels. Other competitors are likely to be the Victoria Recreation Club, Club Lusitano, and it is hoped, military teams. The latter, of course, would be the Engineers, Sherwood Foresters, and Artillery. It is also in the wind that Officers, R.G.A., may put in a team. A private meeting of members of the V.R.C. will be held at the Club-house next Wednesday to arrange matters for the Water Polo season. On Wednesday week, probably, a general Water Polo meeting will be called.

J. A. Jarvis, Amateur Champion of the World, writes that a great thing to be cultivated in order to make a good polo player is a thorough knowledge of the "trudgen" stroke, because when swimming in that manner the player can see both sides of him. A good trudgen swimmer can keep the ball between his arms, the ball being driven from one arm to the other as each stroke is made. It is very difficut to rob a man of the ball who dribbles it along in this fushion.

WATER CARNIVALS.

GOOD SPORTING DURING HONGKONG'S SUMMER.

boating, water-pole and the like. On these open country and shown no desire to return accommodation of lady spectators, so there is no the boys of the town are taught how doubt as to the success of the scheme. Splash- to speak their own language, and English, this is sure to promote interest in aquatic sports, appear to be not out of place in such a neigh-

KOWLOON CITY.

that they are employed even for the ignoble his satellites. salubrious smells that strike the Westerner. It is interesting to recall the fact that when the a step would not be out of place. New Territory was ceded to Britain in 1898 it was not then contemplated to take over Kowloon City, but when the British Government found out that the Chinese high officials had had their palms oiled in connection with the disturbances that followed upon the taking over of the New Territory, they marked the sense of their disapprobation of the officials conduct by forcibly taking possession of the city and exercising complete control over it.

Visitors to Hongkong invariably make a point of visiting Kowlcon City. It is in miniature a roplica of Canton or Fatshan or any of the cities in South China. There one can see, life and industry in all their activity and colour The city itself occupies a position at the head of Kowloon Bay which from a health point of view been provided for them upstairs on the verandah | could not be surpassed. All the year round it is fanned by the sea breezes from Lycomun Pass. When approaching the city from Kowloon the visitor's eye is caught by the wide wall which rises from the plain to the summit of the hill surmounting the city-a hill covered with huge black weather-worn blocks of granite. that would have served as an inspiration for Mr Crockett's "Riddlings of Creation." When assistant, and run back and go through the one looks down upon Kowloon City from the eminence of this hill one would very probably guess that the number of its inhabitants was at least a thousand. It is with surprise therefore that one learns that there are no fewer than five thousand people resident there. How on earth they all get demiciled passes human (other than

Chinese) comprehension. In the course of a visit to Kowloon City the other day the writer found out certain things about the place which are mostly unknown to Hongkong people. Of course old residents are aware of the fact that it used to be a gambling-hell before it was taken over by the British. The Chinese who managed the fantan Ladder drill came next. On the word go a City. It was a common thing in the days for some time past, suffering from Bright's squad of six ran to a common bamboo ladder, before British rule prevailed for roysterers disease, and he had only returned to Hongwhich they hauled up to a house by means of from Hongkong to cross over and venture kong after spending a period of leave guy ropes. Three other men in the meanwhile | their all on tai yat or sam fan as the case | in the Straits Settlements, to which he had been

lower down their stakes in a little basket.

As for industries, Kowloon City does not lack in this respect, yet it is difficult to understand how the numerous population find means to subsist upon. There are a vermilion-factory, a samshu (native spirit) factory, flahing, bamboo and rattan shops, silversmith-depots, and general shops galore. The streets are narrow and evilsmelling; pigs and their litters bask at every convenient point, while the town dogs, mangy and otherwise, mostly mangy, infest every court and alley-way and bark defiance at the visitor.

It is rather curious to note that the Chinese have practically deserted the old walled city of Kowloon and taken up residence on the plain between this and the sea. Burton boasts in his Scottish history that Berwick walls could accommodate on their top a carriage and pair. Kowloon City wall-that is to say the wall facing Kowloon Bay-would allow of two carriages and pairs passing each other if they met. The wall is a massive structure and all along, the ramparts are littered with old guns. The history of Kowloon has never been written, but if it were there is no doubt it would tell many a story of attacks upon the town by the old bloodthirsty China Sea pirates.

There are over a hundred old guns lying dismounted about the place. Mr. May has apparently been awake to the idea of utilising some of these monsters for decorative purpose, for at present five of them are being mounted on the mound alongside the Police Station, and very imposing they should look when put into

Inside the walls one meets with nothing but desolation. The houses here have been of a very superior class and the streets are wide and commodious. As a rule the houses have been allowed to go to decay. Even the temple, the home of Pa Sang, has been suffered to participate in the general ruin. Where once a mandarin took his afternoon seista in the shade of his own lichee-tree, hens now roost and pigs grunt. As in the case of old Edinburgh of Allan Ramsay's day the During the summer months the Victoria population has boiled over into the country Recreation Club intend to hold Water Carnivals | beyond the wall, but in contrast to Edinburgh's once a month, consisting of swimming, diving, history they have deserted the walled city for the occasions arrangements will be made for the to it. Except for a couple of schools in which ing in the sunlight, and romping about in the and to mark time and to drill one may warm (though comparatively cool) water during say that the walled city is unoccupied. Hongkong's oppressive summer is about the only | Adjoining it is a city of the dead, and the sport one feels fit for. A popular scheme like | mouldering walls and falling beams of Kowloon | Sea:

bourhood. In one of the schools there are paintings on the walls de picting such scenes of Canton is known as the City of Rams. Kow- Biblical import as the sower that went forth to loon might with more appropriateness be styled | sow, Moses raising the serpent in the wilderness, the City of Cannons. Everywhere one goes | the foolish virgins that failed to trim their one strikes up against ancient dismantled guns. lamps, and so on. In the next building one sees Indeed, guns are so plentiful in Kowloon City | ancient pictures of the Yellow Dragon and all

purpose of staying the flag-pole opposite the It only remains to be said that Kowloon City, Police Station. Of all our possessions in the however interesting it may be, is not a place to New Territory, Kowleon is one of the most | visit at present. Plague is prevalent there and interesting. It is a typical Chinese city within | there is a rumour abroad that if the worst comes | easy hail of Hongkong and it contains within its | to the worst the whole contral part of the city | walls all the picturesqueness and all the in- may be demolished. Apart from the sentimental point of view, there can be no doubt that such

ROWING.

V.R.C. SCEATCH RACES.

Two four-oared scratch races will be pulled by members of Victoria Recreation Club this afternoon. The first will commence at 3.30 o'clock, sharp. A Socretary's launch will leave Blake Pier at 3 c'clock to convey rowers and spectators to the Kowloon side. In the first race Kornblume's crew has been scratched, and J. Witchell has taken the place of S. M. Gidley in Rose, owing to the lamented death of the latter's brother. There have, also, been other alterations. Crews as amended are as follows:---

18T RACE. STATION No. 2 .- Shamrock .- C. E. A. Hance (stroke), E. F. Aucott, H. A. Seth, and H. M.

STATION No. 3.—Thistle.—R. Witchell (stroke), E. P. Musso, A. G. V. Ribeiro, and J. by the Police throwing rubbish into Hongkong

STATION No. 4.—Rose.—J. Witchell (stroke), was fined \$50, the rest discharged. L. E. Lammert, G. Cruickshank, and W. T.

STATION No. 1.-L. A. Musso (stroke), T. E. Pearce, F. M. Roza Pereira, and T. C. Swaby. STATION No. 2.—Rose.—H. Rapp (stroke), H. C. Austen, J. P. Jordan, and J. D. Cameron. STATION No. 3 .- Shamrock - F. K. Tata (stroke), H. S. Holmes, A. V. Barros, and E.

In the first race Shamrock may win. It is best, perhaps, not to venture an opinion on the

This will not be the last race. There will be

DEATH OF INSPECTOR J. H. GIDLEY

To-day at about half-past four the funeral of those who desired a "flutter" could get it Inspector J. H. Gidley of the Hongkong Police without going as far as Macan. Many are the Force will pass the Monument at Merrison stories told of fortunes lost and won at Kowloon | Hill. Mr. Gidley had been in bad health recommended to go with a view to a cure of his When the British took over the city there allment. He was in the Police for about thirwas of course a stoppage of gambling and most | teen years and was connected with the of the proprietors of these houses cleared out | Detective Department, of which he was one to Macao or Canton. But the houses still of the most valued members, for about remain unchanged. In structure they resemble | six years. He got a medal for the work he did the fantan gambling-hells of the neighbouring | in connection with the suppression of plague in Portuguese colony or of the city of Canton, 1894 and last year he was awarded another for there being a rallery above the table from which his services in connection with Sir Henry those who desire to put money on any number | Blake's experimental administration of First Street at West Point when plague was so prevalent there. Among the Police he was very highly respected and was goneally a favourite by reason of his genial ways and obliging manner. He was married about three years ago when home on leave Our sympathy for Mrs. Gidley will be echoed by all who knew her husband.

RED SEA.

Gawd gave the Israelites dry land On which to cross this waste of sea, Still it ain't sacrilege to say A liner's good enough for me; For me beneath the awnin's shade An' the 'ot sun 'igh over'ead, An' in the 'old a stoker chap Sweatin' an' wishin' 'e were dead.

'Ere is the stretch of water where Old Pharoah stroked a trial eight, Yonder the sand dune steeple track On which they 'ad no startin' gate; Still I prefer my old deck-chair An' now an' then a coolin' shower. An' the old ship a runnin' free An' knottin' twenty mile an hour.

I sees the ladies playin quoits An' fussin' round and gettin 'ot. An' mission aries talkin' shop, Pillars o' salt and land of Lot; Who built the pyramids an' why! What does it matter now to me, Readin' my red-backed Army book, Learnin' the things which I shall see?

So I go back the way I came, Against my wish, against my will; But if you ask me I must say I somehow like the old East still, An' 'avin' rolled my bloomin' kit, Shook 'ands all round, I'll say good-bye; He whose address for three more years Is Atkins, Aden, 'Igh' Street, 'Ell.' MONRO ANDERSON.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report: On the 29th at 11.25 a.m. The barometer has risen in Japan and over the Pacific, and has fallen in China The greatest pressure is found in Mid-Japan and the least in the Southern Philippines. Gradients are very slight on the China Coast and to the Enstward, and are very moderate over the northern part of the China Sea. Light variable winds will be met with in the Formosa

Channel and light E, to NE, winds in the China | 6 p.m. Forecast :- Light E. winds ; fine.

POLICE COURT.

Friday, 29th April.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (Acting Police Magistrate).

FOURTH CHARGE AGAINST AN EUROPEAN

Mrs. Kennedy was charged for the fourth time with behaving in a disorderly manner. On the 27th inst, she was sentenced by Mr. Kemp to pay \$10 or go to gool for seven days. The fine was paid, and her husband acted as security in the sum of \$100 for her good behaviour for three months.

Mr. Kemp again convicted her yesterday. sentencing her to pay a fine of \$25 or go to prison for 14 days. He did not hold the woman's husband responsible for the \$100 bond, but the woman herself. If she could not pay it Japan, but fine weather (N.E. wind) latterly. she would have to go to prison for another 14 She had 2,700 tons of coal for Messrs. Melchers days, a month in all.

DUMPING REFUSE. A coolie was fined \$5 for dumping refuse in the vicinity of a Peak residence. After sunset this is a common practice.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

For unlawful possession of two drums of oil a Chinaman was sentenced to six hours' stocks. The stocks have been found a great success as a warning to others.

She has 5,566 tons of Welsh coal aboard but BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (SECOND POLICE not for Hongkong. MAGISTRATE).

RUBBISH IN THE HARBOUR. Chinamen on a certain junk were observed Harbour. First defendant, master of the boat,

ORGAN RECITAL.

Yesterday evening Mr. A. G. Ward gave an organ recital in S. John's Cathedral in presence of an audience that completely filled the building. Mr. Ward presented a varied programme in the course of which he showed his complete mastery over the instrument, fineness of touch, and excellent taste. In Mr. G. H Edwards, the audience had the pleasure of hearing a very good singer who improves on acquaintance every time he appears. A collection was taken in, aid of the Organ Fund The programme was as follows:--

1.- Tocata and Fugue in D Minor J. S. Bach 2.—Andante from Violin Concerto (arranged by Steggall) ... Mendelssohn 3.—Recitative and Air (Elijah) Mendelssohn Mr. G. H. EDWARDS.

4.—Grand Fantasia in E Minor ("The Storm") Andante sostenuto-poco animato-con faccoandantino-agitato-andante.

5. (a.) -- Adagio (No. 1 of "Six short and easy pieces") Smart (b.)-" Siciliano" Marshal 6.-Song... "The Lord is my Light" Allitsen Mr. G. H EDWARDS. 7.—Grand Cheur in A Major Salome

ABOUT WRECKS.

A MYSTERIOUS AFFAIR. It was recently reported by the China Navi- | share report, dated Hangkong, 29th April, 1904 gation s.s. Shaoshing that an upright mast, showing about five feet above water, and several dead bodies, floating on the surface, were to be seen off Kupchi Point. The master of the China Merchants Chiques also saw it, passing close, Docks, Sugars, Lands and Unions. The and opined that it was the mast of a large saltcarrying junk. H.M.S. Algerine made a point of investigating the affair, as it was at first supposed to be the wreck of a steamer. The steamer supposition is now discredited.

ANOTHER DANGER TO SHIPPING. In the last issue of the Daily Press we gave reports, first hand, of two derelicts in the China Sea, both in the track of steamers. There are dangers which lie in the path of deep water China Traders have found buyers at \$60 and craft which even the care and skill of the best navigators cannot avoid. Ocean derelicts form one of the greatest menaces to ships, and these submerged and abandoned vessels could doubtless explain the disappearance of many a fine ship. Capt. St. John George, of the s.s. Macquarie, reports having, in Lat. 22.54 N., Chinas at \$631, the former stocks closing steady Lon. 116.44 E., passed a white conical buoy at quotation, and the latter at \$63; we underat large, a danger to shipping.

THE "PAKSHAN." Divers from H.M.S. Vengeance have surveyed | Godown last night, the chief loss from which the bed recently occupied by the sunken will fall on the marine risks, the fire having Pakshan, and the buoy, so long an obstruction to shipping, is to be removed.

CHURCH SERVICES. S. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

1st May, SS. Philip and James' Day. 4th Sunday after Easter. Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.) Matins (11.0 a.m.) Responses, Tallis; Venite, Goodson; Psalms

Wesley, Hopkins and Monk; Te Deum, Steggall in A; Benedictus, Goss in E; Anthem, 'Blessed be the God and Father," Wesley." Holy Communion (12 noon).

Kyrie, Hummel in D minor; Hymns, 41 Evensong (5.45 p.m.).

Responses, Tabis; Psalms, Purcell, Cooke and Tucker; Magnificat, Pye in E.; Nunc Dimittis, Poland in F minor; Hymns, 4/2, 19 and 437; Vesper Hymn-Ward (No. 2); Voluntaries, Finale, Hollins; Andautino, Chauvet. S. PETER'S CHURCH.

Queen's Road West. 4th Sunday after Easter. Matins (II a.m.). Venite, Smart? To Doum. Gregory; Benedictus, Smart; Hymns, 97, 196, 496, and 219 Holy Communion, 12.15 p.m. Evensong (6.30 p.m.).

Magnificat, Turle; Nuoc Dimittis, Jones

Hymns, 99, 199, 433, and 16. The Church launch Dayspring will call on ships carrying white crows to bring friends ashore to the services, between 9.15 and 10.30 a.m., and between 5.15 and 6 p.m. (Kowloon Police Pier 10.30 and 6); returning afterwards. The Answering Pennant is the call flag. All the sittings are free and unappropriated. Visitors welcome. Books, &c., provided. Sunday School 10-10.45 a.m.

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Meetings are held as follows:-Sunday-Acts 2, 42, 11 a.m.; Gospel Address, 6 p.m. Tuesday-Soldiers' and Sailors' Bible Cl.

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SHIPPING NOTES,

'ARIABLE WEATHER.

The Australian steamer Macquarie, from

Yokohama and Moji yesterday, reports moderate

variable winds and heavy rain after leaving

STOWAWAYS.

couver yesterday. She left Shanghai on the

25th inst., experiencing fine weather off the

MISCELL UNEOUS.

The Loongsang from Manila yesterday had

The Angus arrived from Barry yesterday.

The Solveig arrived to Hongkong for orders

The Themis, from Moji yesterday, brought

1.150 tons of coal and 700 tons of general for

The Pitsanutok, from Bangkok yesterday,

The China Merchants s.s. Kwanglee, from

Shanghai, reports fine weather, moderate N.E.

wind. The Douglas s.s. Hailoong from Swatow

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

at Yokohama at 10 am. on Thursday, the 28th

Nagasaki, where she is due to arrive at 5 p.m. on

The C.P.R. steamer Empress of Japan arrived

inst. and left again at 4 p.m. same day for

The Imperial German mail steamer Oldenburg

left Colombo on Thursday, a.m., and may be

The Imperial German mail steamer Preussen

which left here on the 30th ult. at noon, arrived

at Genoa on Wednesday, the 27th inst at 6 a.m.

The P. & O. steamer Pera left Singapore for

The N.G.I. steamer Ischia left Singapore for

The O.S.S. & C.M. steamer Ningchow will

leave Victoria (B.C.) for Japan and Hongkong

The steamer Richmond Castle, from New York

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

-The market has continued active during the

week under review, and a fair general business

has resulted both for cash and time. Many

rates have substantially improved. notably

market closes steady with an unward tendency.

ruled quiet with only a few small sales at \$6571

to report, and close with sellers at \$655.

Nationals changed hands early in the week at

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions have still

further improved to \$535 after small sales at

3525, and close with buyers at the former rate.

shares could now be placed at \$593. Cantons

have improved to \$190 with small sales at that

rate. North Chinas and Yangtszes remain

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkongs have been

placed in a small way at \$290 and \$295, and

stand that the local insurance companies were

but slightly affected by the fire at the Kowloon

taken place in the sorting godown on goods

in the early part of the week ruled firm and a

fair cash business was transacted at 829; at time

of writing the market is somewhat weaker with

small sellers at \$29. Indo-Chinas have receded

to \$94 after sales at \$95, cash shares, however.

are in demand at the former rate; on time sales

have been effected at \$95 for May, \$98 for

August, \$99 for September, and at \$102 and

\$101 for December; market closes very firm at

\$94 for cash. Douglases remain at \$365 but

with sellers. Star Ferries (old) have been

placed at \$32 and at \$21 for new shares. China

Manilas continue quiet without business at

\$211. Shell Transports remain unchanged at

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have further

advanced to \$138 cash after sales at \$132 and

\$135, closing with further buyers at \$138. On

time a fair business has been done at \$1412 for

May, \$146 for September, and \$150 for Decem-

ber. Luzons remain unchanged and without

MINING.-We have no business or change of

DOCKS, WHARVES, AND GODOWNS .- Hong-

kong and Whampos Docks, continuing in de-

mand, the rate gradually rose to \$213 cash,

the market closing firm at that rate. On time

sale; have been effected at \$216 and \$217 for

June, and at \$221 for August. Kowloon

Wharves continue in request at \$100 with small

sales. New Amoy Docks are on offer at \$32

without finding buyers. Farnhams remain

LANDS, HOTELS, AND BUILDINGS .- Hong-

kong Lands have improved to \$151 without

bringing any shares on the market. West Points

are enquired for at \$522, but no business is re-

ported. Hotels have improved to \$158 with

buyers, but no shares are obtainable. Hum-

MISCELLANEOUS. - Green Islands are en-

quired for at \$23, but none are obtainable at that

rate. China Borneos have improved to \$81,

Watsons to \$144, Gas to 150, and Dairy Farms

to \$131 al closing with buyers. Ices have

been done at \$2.0, and more shares are wanted

at the rate. China Providents have ruled

firmer with sales at \$9, and Watkins are wanted

phreys have been placed at \$10% and \$11.

at the advanced rate of \$74.

rates to report under this heading.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macaos

recently landed.

business.

quiet at Tls. 145.

unchanged and without any local business.

\$36 and shares are now wanted at \$38.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghais have

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth say in their weekly

this port on the 28th inst., and may be expected

expected here on Monday, the 9th prox.

this port on the 28th inst., at 11 a.m.

arrived at Manila on the 29th inst.

brought 2,100 tons of rice for Messrs. Butter-

this port. Agents, Messrs Dodwell & Co.

coast. She had three Chinese stowaways.

five passengers and 20 tons of cargo.

yesterday with 6,500 tons of coal.

field & Swire.

reports same.

Saturday, the 30th inst.

here on the 4th prox.

on the 15th prox.

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THE CFFICE of the above Company has This Day been REMOVED to ALEX-ANDRA BUILDINGS, SECOND FLOOR, Des Voeux Road.

H. G. SIMMS, Acting Agent,

Hongkong, 30th April, 1904. INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND | men. SHIPBUILDERS OF HONGKONG.

A SMOKING CONCERT will be held in the Rooms.

No. 3, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL, TO DAY (SATURDAY), 30TH APRIL, at 9.00 P.M. ADMISSION ONE DOLLAR. J. F. MILLER, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th April, 1904. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN NOTICE.

STEAM FOR KUDAT AND SANDAKAN. Taking Cargo at Through Rates to TAWAO, ĽAHÁD DATU ĂND LABUAN. / HE Company's Steamship

"BORNEO, Captain Muhle, will be ready to load for the 3rd May.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MELCHERS & CO., Hongkong, 29th April, 1904.

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"ISCHIA," Captain Maganzini, will be despatched as above on WFDNESDAY, the 11th May, at Noon. Victoria Dock.

THE Steamship

and Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 29th April, 1904

TOOSTON TOWBOAT COMPANY. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

Cargo ex STEAMSHIP "HYADES," FROM SEATTLE, TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

having arrived per "Pingsuey" Consiguees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel

will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever. DODWELL & CO., LD.,

Hongkong, 27th April, 1904. NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Noon, To-DAY, 29th inst. Goods not cleared before the 5th prox., will

be subject to rent. All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and notice of same sent to this Office before the 8th prox., or claims in connection therewith will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

TITHE HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of Members of the above Club will be held in the CITY HALL, TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 30th APRIL instant, at 4 P.M. By Order.

T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, 15th April, 1904.

ZETLAND LODGE No. 525, E.C.

REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREEMA-SONS' HALL on MONDAY, the 2nd MAY at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely, Visiting Brethron are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 29th April, 1904.

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Hongkong, 16th May, 1903. REMOVAL.

INTHE OFFICE of the undersigned has This Day been REMOVED to ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, 2nd FLOOR. HOLLAND-CHINA TRADING CO. Hongkong, 27th April 1904.

THE HEAD AGENCY OF THE JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN. above ports on TUESDAY MORNING, the | TITHE OFFICES of the above Steamship

Company have This Day been REMOVED to ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, 3RD Hongkong, 28th April, 1904.

THE AMERICAN SYSTEM DENTISTRY.

DR. M. H. CHAUN, 27, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL HONGKONG. From the University of Pennsylvania U.S.A. Honglong, 10th March, 1903

LAST DAY.

SHORTHAND" will be increased.

As the last day of April is on an early closing day, and Sunday is the 1st of May, the payment of \$50 to completion for the full course At Bombay the Steamer is discharging in of 21 lessons may be made not later than Mon-For further particulars regarding Freight | day next. If you enrol before that date you may take your lessons at your leisure—in a month, or 6 months.

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THIHE 12cm O DINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the HEAD OFFICE of the Company, No. 29, The Bund, Shanghei, on SATURDAY, 30th APRIL, 1904, at 11 o'clock A.M., when the report and accounts for the year ended 29th February, 1904, will be presented. The TRANSF & R B OKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st to 30th APRIL, both days inclusive.

> By Order, E. R. PALMER, Secretary,

Hongkong, 19th April, 1904.

NOTICE.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE CERTIFICATE No. 997 dated 25th August, 1884, of the Five Shares Nos. 14181/14185 in this Company, standing in the name of Mr. MOK SE YEONG, of Hongkong, has been LOST, and if at the expiration of One Month from the date hereof the above document be not forthcoming, another Certifleate will be issued by the Company, and thereafter no other will be be acknowledged. Dated 4th April, 1904.

C. PEMBERTON, Acting Secretary. Hongkong, 4th April, 1904. THE YANGTSZE INSURANCE

ASSOCIATION, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

DIVIDEND at the Rate of Twenty per cent, being Twelve Dollars per Share. on the Paid-up Capital of the above Association. has been declared payable in Taels at Exchange 73 at the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China or the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Shanghai, on and after this date to Shareholders of record on the 11th April, 1904.

By Order of the Board of Directors. W. S. JACKSON, Secretary Shanghai, 22nd April, 1904.

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Hongkong, 9th April, 1904. NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

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EALED PROPOSALS will be received at this Office until 12 o'clock Noon, of the first day of June, 1904, for the construction of the superstructure for a lift bridge over the Binondo canal in the City of Manila, in accordance with plans on file at the Office of the City Engineer.

Bids will be received (1st) for the delivery and erection of the structure complete in every respect and ready for use; (2nd) 'or the delivery at the wharf in Manila, free from all encumbrances, of all the structural material and machinery of every sort, ready for the erection of the bridge complete.

Each bid shall be accompanied by (1st) a stress sheet showing the maximum live and dead load stresses in each member together with the gross and net sections and the material of which each member is to be composed; (2nd) a certified check payable to the City of Manila in the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) United States currency, or its equivalent, as a guaranty that the contractor will within ten (10) days from the awarding of the contract enter into contract with the City of Manila for the faithful performance of all the work above specified. A bond of ten per cent. (10%) of the accepted bid will be required for the faithful performance and completion of the contract within a period of twelve (12) months from the date of signing.

the contract. PRINTED FORMS FOR BIDS, plans and all necessary information may be obtained at the Office of the City Engineer, Manila, P.I. Engineering News Publishing Co., 220 Broadway, New York City, and the Bureau of Insula Affairs, Washington, D.C. The right is reserved by the City of Manila

defects. By Direction of the Board, JOHN M. TUTHER,

Secretary. Manila, P.I., January 21st, 1904. MAIL TABLES

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AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION,

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

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PUBLIC AUCTION POSTAGE STAMPS. THE undersigned has received instructions

to Sell by Public Auction, TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 30th APRIL, 1904, at 2 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, Queen's Road, Balance of a Fine Collection of OLD and RARE POSTAGE STAMPS. TERMS OF SALE :- As Customary. V. I. REMEDIOS,

Hongkong, 28th April, 1904. PUBLIC AUCTION

FITHE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 30th April, 1904, commencing at 2.45 p.m., at No. 166, QUEEN'S ROAD, EAST, A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD

FURNITURE, (Particulars from Catalogue). TERMS: - Cash on delivery. On view from Friday, the 29th April, 1904. GEO. P. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer. Hongkong, 28th April, 1904.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

TEARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to AUTOMATIC MAUSER be held on MONDAY, the 2nd day of MAY, 1904, at 3 PM., at the Offices of the Public I Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of Crown Land at Star Street, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the 54 King, for one further term of 75 years. [1093

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to Sell by Public Auction,

TUESDAY, the 3rd MAY, 1904, commencing at 2.45 p.m., prepared to accept RISKS at Current Rates. at No. 11, KNUTSFORD TERRACE, Kowloon, A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

(Particulars from Catalogue). TERMS:—Cash on delivery. On View from Monday, the 2nd May, 1904. GEO. P. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer. Hongkong, 29th April, 1904. PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sall by Public Auction. MONDAY, the 9th MAY, 1904, at 11 A.M., at the Kowloon Godowns (No. 20),

500 CASES KUPPER BEER (QUARTS). (Slightly Damaged by Water). TERMS :- Cash on delivery. GEO P. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1904.

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THE "BALLAARAT"-"CHANGON" COLLISION.

ARBITRATOR'S JUDGMENT. The following is Sir Hiram S. Wilkinson's judgment in the matter of the arbitration between the owners of the P. & O. S. Ballaarat and the owners of the s.s. Changen :-

In this case I find both vessels to blame, First, with regard to the case against the Ballaurat. It is alleged on behalf of the Changon that the Ballaarat, among other faults. failed to comply with the rules relating to the navigation of the Woosang Inner and Outer Bars which are laid down in Harbour Notification No. 1 of 1904, and which require a vessel proceeding against the tide to hold back to allow a vessel proceeding with the tide to pass. It was contended on behalf of the Changon that the Ballaarat ought to have seen the Changon over the land in time to hold back before coming to the Gas Buoy. But the Assessors, having at my request worked out the respective times and positions of the two vessels, advise me that the Ballaarat could not be expected to have seen the Changon in time to hold back before beginning to cross the bar, and that after that she could not with safety hold back until the Gas Buoy had been passed. But I have arrived at the conclusion that if a better look out had been kept on the Ballaarat the Chan-gen would have been seen from the bridge of the Ballaarat before she was seen, and those on board the Ballaarat would have been more ready to meet the emergency which arose; but even if the Changon could not have been seen before she was seen, the Assessors are of opinion, and I concur in and adopt their opinion, that after she was seen there was time for the Ballagrat to take measures to prevent the collision. The Assessors consider that the Ballaarat could have anchored as soon as she had got past the Gas Buoy, and those on board of her ought in the circumstance to have anchored, when it was found that her head was being carried up by the tide. If they had done so, there would have been time then for the Changon to have avoided the collision, and she would have been in a better position to do so than that in which she was placed by the Ballaarat keeping on.

Counsel for the Changon also urged strongly the impropriety of the sounding of two shor blasts on the Ballaarat while she was still under a hard a-port helm in an endeavour to get her head round to starboard. I am of opinion that this was a most improper signal to give under those conditions. It is said that this did not mislead the master of the Changon, and this is to a certain extent correct. He knew that the Balloarat was not going to the starboard side of the channel by choice. But the signal led him to do what it was intended to lead him to do, and what otherwise he would not have done. Instead of continuing to go over, or keep over, to the starboard side of the channel, he made an effort to go over to the port side. He gave orders for his helm to be put hard a starboard, his starboard engine to be put full speed astern, and, although he almost immediately afterwards reversed those orders, yet time was lost, and I am advised that but for the delay which those orders occasioned he would probably have got out of the Ballaarat's way. The Master of the Changon was asked why he did not give the orders intended to turn his head to port and to go over to port, a chance, and he said: "I did not think I ought to run the risk. It is true I was on the starboard side of the Ballaarat, but I was on the starboad side of the fairway, and I did not know when the Ballaarat's bow was going to swing round into the fairway." If he had given the orders a chance as suggested I agree with what was urged by Counsel for the Changon that he might have failed-and probably in the circumstances would have failed -to get out of the way, and in that case a much

more serious catastrophe might have occurred. The signal intended to mean that the ship' head was being directed to port ought not to have been given when every effort was being made to direct her head to starboard, simply because those efforts were for the moment unavailing. As a fact the ship was not under command, and if any signal was to be given it was a signal which would have been a proper signal to indicate that she was not under command. The signal prescribed by the Regulations is that laid down in Article 4 (a), namely, two black balls or shapes each 2 feet in diameter carried in a vertical line one over the other not less than 6 feet apart where they can be best seen. This is the signal for vessels in the day time when they can be seen But if such signal is not ready, I am informed by one of the Assessors with local knowledge that there is a signal very frequently used, and which it would appear from reported cases is sometimes used elsewhere, that is a continuous succession of short blasts on the whistle. How far that would in all circumstances be held to be a proper signal, it is not necessary to stop and consider. It would, however, I am advised, be understood by those on board all local steamers, and the fact of giving such a signal would have brought home to those on board the Ballaarat the necessity of taking precautions, such as anchoring, a precaution which, as I have said, the Assessors consider they could have taken and ought to have taken.

. But I am of opinion that the Changon was I am advised that the Changon ought to have anticipated meeting the Ballaarat about the bend of the Bar, if the Changon kept on, and ought to have avoided that by holding back, The Master of the Changon as a fact did anticipate the two vessels so meeting when he sounded the blast on his siren between the of India for freer intercourse. Lismore Light and the Fort Buoy. He says SORES OF ALL KINDS and waiting for him. But as he came on he saw that the other vessel was not hold the Local Regulation which requires a vessel proceeding against the tide to hold back to allow a vessel proceeding with the tide to pass, the moment he perceived that, from whatever cause, the vessel coming down was keeping on

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she began to cross the bar, and for some time | life was spared when he came of age has been, before, with the wind blowing from the N. E., oddly enough, attributed by some to the unrest her holding back would have been attended with provailing during the troubles with India in very great difficulties, and might have resulted 1888. But a far more likely cause is that that in seriously obstructing the channel. It is not very war afforded to the shrewder Tibetans the a question of a large steamer having any diffe- | best possible proof that the time had come to take rent right from a small steamer. It is merely a their affairs into their own hands. The only question of what under particular circumstances | way to do so was to get rid of the Regent—and a large steamer can, by an approaching vessel, the only way to get rid of the Regent was to be expected to accomplish, and in this case the allow the Grand Lama of Lhasa to live and take Changen ought not to have expected the Ballaarat | the Government of Tibet into his own hands, to be able to held back until after she This was done; and from that moment Chinese and passed the Gas Buoy. It is to be influence in Tibet has disappeared. No better observed that there was no obligation on proof of the impotence of China in Tibet at the the Changon to come on even if she had thought present moment could be given than the humithat the Ballaarat could hold back. She would liating figure cut at the present moment by the not, by holding back at the time when I am Chinese "committees" empowered to treat advised that she ought to have held back, have with ourselves. been breaking any regulation requiring her to But in this policy of independence-there are come on. At most it was a right which the disadvantages also, as the Tibetans have found Changen had to come on, and it has been laid to their disquiet. The Dalai Lama at this juncdown that one has no right to stand in a ture has to oppose China almost as strenuously difficulty upon a right, though it may be a per- as ourselves. The new Amban, in sheer terror, feetly good right, regardless of the safety of applied for 2,000 soldiers as an escort before he others, and that, although there may be a rule started for Lhasa to take up his invidious duties of the sea, yet a man who has the management of one ship is not to be allowed to follow that refused, still heaftates to trust himself among

By going on the Changon placed herself and the farce of Chinese suzerainty must be abanthe Ballaarat in a position which was likely to doned; it has been produced once too often as it lead to a collision, and for this she is to blame. The Assessors are also of opinion and I concur | with the responsibilities as well as the pleasures in that opinion that these on board the Changon of autonomy, and the shrewdness which enabled were also to blame in failing to take proper steps | the Council to foresee the results of their policy to secure that the wheel was properly manned | 30 years ago will not fail them in this instance and that the engines were properly manned.

side will bear their own costs. (Signed) H. S. WILKINSON.

Supreme Court, Shanghai, 14th April, 1904.

. THE TIBET MISSION. ..

Chumbi, 6th February. No review of the present Tibetan impasse would be complete without some attempt to understand the position of the Dalai Lama himself. It need hardly be said that one refers thus rather to the power behind the throne than to its actual occupant; but there is no doubt that the present existence of a Dalai Lama of years of discretion, and the consequent absence of a Regent, is partly the cause of the present

situation, and may be partly also the key to it. The very manner of his selection in 1874 is not without some interest, if the miraculous accretions which disguise the narrative are brushed away. Indeed the exceptional method employed to identify him as a child and the fact that he-the first of many child Dalai Lamaswas in due time permitted to arrive at maturity betray a fairly consistent policy on the part of the Lamaic hierarchy. Briefly stated, that policy was, and is, one of complete independence of the suzerainty of China.

The fact that the approval of the Chinese Government was necessary to the due appointment of a Regent during the succesive-and continuous-minorities of recent Dalai Lamas was the strongest link that bound Tibet to the middle kingdom. So long as the policy of assassination of the children whose greatness was thus strangely thrust upon them continued. the influence of China in Tibetan affairs was unavoidable. The Desi or Regent made his own terms with the suzerain Power without much concealment, and the repeated necessity for obtaining China's approval to a new or a confirmed appointment made it impossible for temporary success. It is estimated that eight

little supreme heads of northern Buddhism. That there were from the standpoint of the hierarchy many advantages in this policy cannot be denied. Apart from a formal and, in external affairs, a very genuine subservience to China, the perpetual minority of the Dalai Lama gave | NAGASAKI, MOJI, KOBF, KARATSU the central authority in matters religious, and therefore national, into the hands of an almost hereditary—if the word may be used loosely-oligarchy of governing families as carefully selected as were those of the Republic of Venice during the Middle Ages. It was no light thing, therefore, to run the risk of surrendering the supreme power into the hands of a single individual for an indefinite period. whereof the balance was substantially held even | Mail and Freight Steamers. by the commission into which for a hundred years the supreme ecclesiastical power had been placed. The danger of disturbing the settled order of things was obvious. On the other hand, Tibet was no exception to the rule which impels a continued Regency, was impossible. For years they had had before them the example of other | Coal from 1905. races, and possibly lso the promptings of more persons than the rare emissaries of Russia, into whose scheme of Asiatic extension an independent Tibet would find its place more easily than would a province of China.

A slight digression is here necessary. The Vicercy of Sze-chuen, to which province Tibet | to 1,210,000 tens. is nominally a vassal, finds yearly in the tolls levied upon caravans passing through his clearly to his interest to close the more obvious trade route through India. To do this, successive governors have frankly encouraged in Tibet a national spirit which voluntarily closed the southern gates, as against the Chinese authority which, when pressed, has proved itself on more than one occasion willing to satisfy the demands

Thirty years ago the spirit of independence he came on because he did not know whether was already abroad in Tibet and there was a the other vessel might not be holding back recognized "progressive" party-headed by no less a dignitary than the Treasurer of the Gaden or Galdan monastery-which openly | A ing back, and even if he had in his mind denounced the existing regime of assassination and regency. The lender of this party died before achieving success. And it is not uncharacteristic that when the change he advocated was made, the evil influences of the dead Treasurer's spirit were made the very he ought, when able to do so, to avoid meeting excuse for abandoning a method of election her at a place like the bend of the bar which he | which—in the hands of the once more inevitable ought to have known was a place where difficul. Regent-might merely confirm again the ties might arise, or which, in his own words, is suzerainty of China. Recourse was had to an rather an awkward place. But more than this outside family, one that was in no way identified -having made out that the vessel was a P. & O. | with any of the different sects or Lamasseries. steamer, and was able therefore to judge that and the present Dalai Lama was brought by Rot, and Dampuess. she was a large steamer, I am advised that he somewhat arbitrary means into the narrow ought to have known that from the time that | circle of "papal" families. The fact that his

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rule to the injury of a vessel of another where those whom he has come to regard as the he could avoid the injury by pursuing a different | enemies of his country and, in an especial degree. | CAM.P BEDof himself also. The time must soon come when is. Then the Dalai Lama will come face to face | MADE. also. Unfortunately, in their own interests, but Each side will pay half of the Court fees and at our expense, if has fallen to the lot of the half of the Assessors' fees, and otherwise each Indian Government to open the eyes of Tibet to JOHN this necessity.

It is a transition period with that country and it is not the least of the difficulties pressing upon those responsible for its government, that they have refused to swap horses before the stream is at their fest. But this is by no means the only or indeed the most pressing consideration at the 'present' moment. Refusal of allegiance to China may cost them China's annual subsidy. This, in part, takes the shape of a large supply of tea for the three great monasteries outside Lhasa. The trouble is that these three great monasteries actually govern the kingdom through the Tzung-du or Great Assembly. Apart wholly from the unwillingness of the Lamusseries to lose what is to them a very large bounty, the withdrawal of the official sanction enjoyed by these monasteries—the source of the supremacy of Lhasa-would raise in an acute form an old but ever present question, the rival claims of the Grand Lama of Tashe-Lhunpo. This is a question of such importance both to the Tibetans and curselves and it is not too much to suggest that herein the solution of the present difficulty may eventually be found to lie.—Times.



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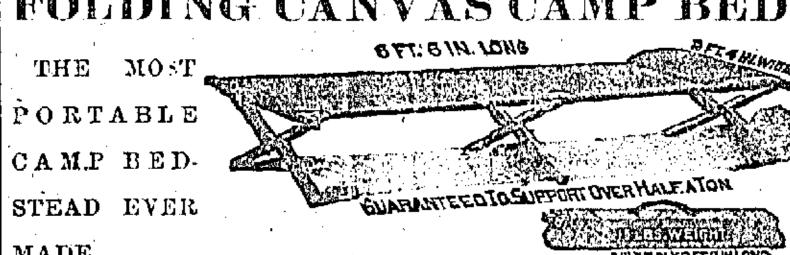
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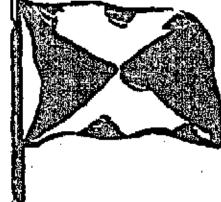
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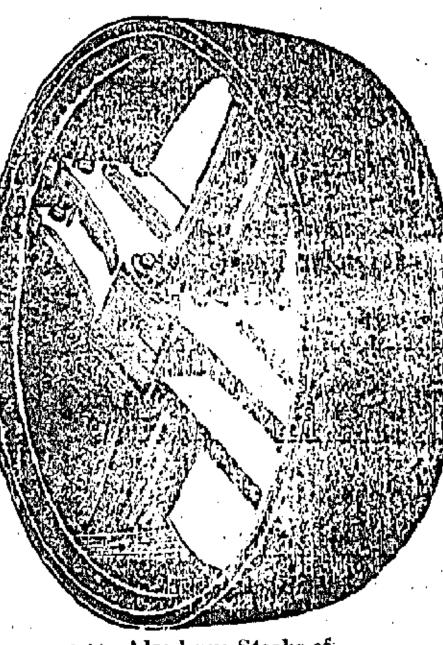
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SYNOPRIS OF INSTALMENTS I TO III.-Mr. Clement Frith, a Commission Agent, living in Kensingo ton, finds himself in rather low water. His daughter Dora tries several means by which to make both ends meet, but does not succeed until she takes in a lodger, a wealthy gentleman of the mone of Lagden, and with an air of mystery about him. On his being taken ill one day a doctor is summoned who tells them their lodger is past recovery. Lagden makes a will leaving Dorn all his property providing she is willing to marry him at once. It appears that Frith gives his consent to this strange request before he informs his daughter of it. After a conversation with the dying man, Dora refuses to marry him. At last her father persuades her to consent; a clergyman is called, and the ceremony performed. Lagden afterwards gives the girl a packet which, he says, must not be opened until the rightful owner claims it Later in the day, on looking into the man's room, Dora is astonished to find that he has disappeared. The next morning Frank Dorne, her former lover, who, she thought, had died abroad, calls. On hearing that Dora has been married only the day before, Dorne returns to his hotel, determined to go abroad again as soon as opportunity serves. He meets an old friend, Jim Cowle, who tells him a strange story of a diamond he is in quest of. He has traced it to Frith's house, in the possession of Josiah Lagden. CHAPTER IV.

MISS NUDDS' EVENING OUT.

Buriod deep in the recesses of the house of form; and she had, in all probability, put two Mr. Clement Frith-right down in a certain and two together, and made something more dim dark basement, from which, like a new and very ordinary Venus, she arose smiling to the ringing of sundry bells-dwelt Miss Jane Nudds. Miss Nudds was of a character which would have been shocked at the mere mention of a person who were so little clothing as Venus, and, in all probability, not at all flattered by the comparison with herself, as regards figure, at least. In fact, had you seen Miss Jane Nudds, on certain dark evenings, flitting up the steps from the basement, arrayed in wonderful garments, you would probably have declared hurriedly that she could have given the mythical goddess points, and a decided beating.

To her credit let it be said that Miss Nudds worked hard, in comparatively ungrateful sercame, in an unholy fashion, into his dreams.

riachal. She knew that coarser, lower side of and drew away from him. London life backwards; she had a great and | "Reely, young man-you are got a nerve!" wonderful knowledge of the art of living on she exclaimed. "If you think I'm the sort to small things and in small ways.

had a certain strict morality of her own, born | party." Thus Miss Nudds, walking on at a probably of hard necessity and the want of great rate; the young man, very anxious and luxury; and that she cherished, above all things, | very determined, about half a pace behind her. certain vague dreams of some extraordinary fere with the proper discharge of her duties.

Let it not be supposed for a moment that romance had passed Miss Nudds coldly by: by that a certain baker had lingered long in deliverin the course of years, had raised flutterings in against each other in this world. her breast, and had been dismissed, or had disa certain callousness, upon mankind in general; in a minute—give yer me word, I did." her own small circle in particular; and could sem them up in one trite phrase:

ner o' ways, but there ain't much to choose

between 'em w'en they comes spoorin'!" Now, of corrse, all this had happened, so far cle. It must not be denied that Miss Nudds | book, they wouldn't believe it, would they?" had made the most of her opportunities; she had selected her small arrows and darts of wit ac cording to the man who appeared before her, and she knew what would best hit him. But her feelings may be imagined when a stranger appeared one bright morring, when Miss Nudds was clearing the steps, and actually stoppedmodestly but admiringly-and tilted up his small bowler hat from the back of his head by Miss Nudds in view. After quite a long time, a quick movement with his fingers to the brim the young man asked a vital question. in front.

"I ask yer pardon, Miss, but yer don't 'appen to know a shavin' shop-barber's I mean of the head. "'Ave to give 'em a bit of me -about 'ere, I suppose ?"

Miss Nudds looked the audacious one up and | -well-you understand." down for a moment, and proceeded with her reg'ler meself, an' don't need to buy any bits a willin' 'orse, yer know-ch?" to add to it," she retorted, crushingly.

"By the colour of it, I don't see how you | emphatic nod. could," snapped the young man, I forgetting himself for a moment. The retort was more bitter, because Miss Nudds possessed hair of that shade which is spoken of as "auburn" by one's friends, and something else by other

people. darkly.

man, hurriedly. "Well-I'll be movin' on, likes it." Miss."

Jane Nudds, bending again to her work.

"If you knowed me better, you wouldn't say that," replied the young man reproachfully.

meself," replied Miss Nudds. The young man, who was of a somewhat melancholy visage, and of a peculiarly angular thinness of body, moved slouchingly away; he came back, however, after a half-dozen steps, and stood irresolute.

"It ain't right that you should be doin' that sort o' work, Miss, he said regretfully. "I don't like ter see it. W'y, if I was a man-" "Don't you wish for wot can't never be," said Miss Nudds gently. "An' don't stand

there keepin' the sun off me." The young man went away; and Miss Nudds, feeling herself brightened by the encounter, finished her work, and plunged into those mys-Diprose Square; and a murmur or two concerning them had even penetrated to the ears of the. girl below stairs. Probably someone or other of the younger children had spoken about it: be that as it may, it had filtered down gradually, | is-'oo was it got married?" until even Jane Nudds knew something about |. that strange romance, and the still more strange disappearance of the man who had been supthe story in any correct or straightforward

than four of them. Miss Jane Nudds, glancing up casually returned with great regularity; and always performed that little salute by tilting his hat forward over his eyes with one single movement, whenever he observed the face of Miss Nudds at the basement window.

vice, for a very small sum per annum; that she | week when Miss Nudds, free from the trammels had her own ideas regarding gentility and the of a somewhat sordid life, wandered forth to social laws; and that she was an authority on take the air; in a word, her "evening out." the rights and wrongs of her class. Certain With some little additional palpitation of the small and mean economies in the household of | heart, and with a rather jauntier step than usual. Mr. Clement Frith had taught her to be sparing | Miss Nudds ascended the area steps. and. and scraping; and the unlucky tradesman who quite unconscious (as it appeared) of the preswas so unfortunate as to encounter her first, in | ence of the young man, set out briskly across a mistaken endeavour to collect an account, felt | the square, evidently on some very serious errand bunk after they was tied up. If ever I do go himself rasped and degraded for the remainder The young man, again with that furtive of the day; it is probable, indeed, that she even | movement which exposed the back of his head to the public gaze, took a little running step or Miss Nudds was, in point of years, compara- two, and a jump, and landed at her side. Miss

be caught walkin out promiseuous like-and With all this, let it be said at once, that she all unbeknown like-you've got the wrong

"You don't know me, Miss," urged the young being (something between an earl and a small man, with another tilt to his small bowler hattradesman) who was coming some day into her | "I ain't wot I seem; I ain't bin brought up that life, thereafter to tint all things with a rosy hue. | way at all, Miss. It's a liberty, I know, me But even that thought, which might have stag- | speakin' to anybody as is got up as dossy as you gered a less well-balanced mind, did not inter- this moment; I feels I want a "igh 'at to carry it off like. But if you'll overlook it, an' jest let me 'ave 'alf a word--"

Miss Jane Nudds, still very severe, slackened means. Rumour-many-tongued-had it her pace a little, and remarked on the beauty of the night. The gentleman cordially agreed ing his goods, and that Miss Nudds had been with her, and said he had "never 'eard it put so seen to press a warm loaf to her cheek after his poetic." Miss Nudds, mollified, said what a departure; but he had proved faithless. Others, | funny thing it was 'ow people did bump up

"It's fate-that's wot it is!" exclaimed the covered some trait in Miss Nudds which discon- young man, with a shake of the head. "Comin' certed them. At all events, at the moment round the corner this mornin', I was, wiv no. when Miss Nudds comes upon our little stage, more thought of wet was goin' to 'appen than she could gaze easily and lightly, and even with | nothink; an' I sees you. I turned sort o' faint

"A sorter wave seemed to come over me, I will say," said Miss Nudds gravely. " 'Wotever "They comes floury—an' they comes greasy— is this 'ere?' 'I says to meself; 'I don't quite like un' they comes black—an' they comes all man- it,' I says. Then I looks round, an' I sees you!" Miss Nudds paused dramatically, and

opened her eyes wide. "Wunnerful thing, ain't it?" said the young as Miss Nudds was concerned, in one small cir. | man. "Now, if you went an' shoved that in a

"Not them!" said Miss Nudds scornfully. "An' yet look wot things you see in the papers

every day!" "Ah!" exclaimed the young man with another shake of the head.

They walked on in silence for some time. Miss Nudds had no particular destination in view, and the young man had apparently orly

"Nice place you've got, Miss?" "Oh, so-so!" roplied Miss Nudds, with a toss mind now an' then, yer know, jest to show 'em

"I know," said the young man. "That's wot cleaning operations. "I does me own 'air I always say; don't let 'em put on yer. Work

"I believe you," said Miss Nudds, with an "Takes in lodgers, don't they?" said the

young man casually, after a pause.

"They 'ave done," said Miss Nudds guardedly. "An' mind you, young man-"

"Call me Jake," urged the young man softly. "I ardly like-so early," said Miss Nudds Miss Nudds looked up quickly. "You don't | bashfully. "Still, a name ain't anythink, is appen to mean anythink by that?" she asked, it?" She sighed a little, and then went on. " Jane' was the silly thing they shoved on 'On'y a bit of a compliment," said the young | me, w'en I was 'elpless. I suppose some people |

"It's short, any way," replied Jake. And, "You can't go any too quick for me," retorted as an afterthought, added in a lower tone-'an' sweet, Miss."

"Now, if you're goin' to be silly . . . Well. , as I was sayin', if you come to lodgers-I'm | way the young man contrived to extract all the "If I did know yer better, I'd be sorry for | done! Don't ask me to say what I might be sorry for ; don't," implored Miss Nudds tragical ly-"I beg of you don't ask fer no reasons. But w'en a lodger jumps in on yer, so to speak; won't see no one; locks 'isself in a'most; an then 'ooks it in the middle of the night-well." said Miss Nudds again-"I can't say no more than that; I'm done!"

"Didn't ought ter be allowed!" said the young man warmly. "Wot's the lor for?" provingly. "An' w'en, more than that, you a jiffy." The young man must, however, have 'ave doctors in-to say nothink of the clergy-"

" You don't really mean-" "Whether to ease is mind, or to point the way 'e was goin', it ain't for me to say," went terious regions below. It was a few days after on the lady. "But wen you do 'ear of people those strange happenings in the little house in | bein' married on the quiet, without even a shillin' cake, all I says is, w'ere are you?"

"You're quite right, Miss-Jane, if I may make so bold," said the young man, in rather a bewildered tone. "But wot I can't unnerstand

"Well, I don't mind—seein' as we're so friendly-I reely don't mind tellin' yer. You must know then, that we ain't well-wot you'd posed to be dying. She had not, of course, got | call throwin' it about at my place; a cutlet | chance to 'ave a visitor—is it? I'll be back in might come so far as to call itself a chop when a minute." it goes upstairs."

please. There ain't enough for the pore 'ard | He sprang up with alacrity, and glided out into through the dingy basement window into the worked gel terdo, but we must 'ave our ledgers. | the corridor; he was half way up the first flight street in the course of the day, became aware | Not an ordinary lodger, mind yer; but one of of stairs, and had a good look about him, and that the young man who had addressed her that | yer secret sort, as would no more think of leav- | then was back in the kitchen again, before the morning was cooling his heels on the pavement | in' a letter about than anythink. Nothink open | outside. In direct consequence, Miss Nudds about 'im; a sort of lock-em-up-an'-don't- satisfied with his inspection. was cold to the butcher's young man, and flip- | trust-'cm man. Comes at night, we does, if you pant with the baker. The stranger went away please; an' 'aven't even got a name to ourselves. Nudds. "It appears to me you ain't strong." once or twice during the day, but always If anybody comes enquirin' if we 'as a lodgerbless yer, we don't keep 'em!"

"On the quiet like?" suggested Jake.

"Rather," said Miss Nudds, with a wink. Of course, it ain't for me to say anythink; but should have thought the party was keepin' out It happened to be the one occasion in all the | o' the way. Not but what 'e was mighty thick with master."

"You do tell things so well," said the young | and Miss Nudds nodded. man, "that I could go on listenin' to yer all night. But wot about this marriage?"

"Well, from wot I've 'eard," said Miss Nudds mysteriously, "it seems that this lodger took a fancy to our young lady. Supposed to be dyin', 'e was; got 'is breath back some'ow, an' did a an' give meself away," added Miss Nudds thoughtfully, "I'll take jolly good care 'e's 'ealthy, 'ooever 'e is."

"You'll want 'im 'ealthy, Miss, to keep up tively young; in an awful wisdom she was pat- Nudds, with a start and a little scream, paused, wiv you," retorted the young man. "Wot sort o' party, might I ask, was this 'ere lodger ?"

"Oldish, an' looked as if 'e'd seen a bit of life in "is time," replied Miss Nudds. "One thing like a Chinese mandarin. I do know—'e must 'ave 'ad some money." "Wot makes yer think that?" asked Jake, Frith. "Who is this person?"

somewhat anxiously. "Well, I've 'ad me wages paid-fust time fer, said Miss Nudds, breathlessly. three months—since e' popped off. Quite large about it e' was--(master, I mean)--sayin' as 'ow

he'd forgot it before. As if I didn't know!" They walked for quite a long distance that evening; slowly, and with the sedate step with which all "walking-out" should be performed, according to the best known authorities. The to Mr. Frith. gentleman was so silent and thoughtful, that more than once Miss Nudds rallied him and suggested the purchase of his thoughts for a penny. He apologised quite handsomely, however, and informed her that he was really think: ing more about her than about himself.

"You see," he explained, "wot you've told me 'as knocked me all of a 'eap. It don't seem the right sort of thing, for a man to go an' marry anybody, an' then do a guy like thatdoes it? It quite upsets me to think about it. I suppose you don't 'appen to know the name o'

the party, do yer?" Miss Nudds thought deeply for a few moments, and then slowly shook her head. "That's me, all the world over! " she exclaimed. "I'm that giddy, that's it's in one ear an' out the other in no time. I did 'ear it; yet can't call it to mind in the least."

A little further on, Miss Nudds suddenly man was gone. stopped, clapped her hands together, and cried out, "I do b'lieve I've got it!" turning with a beaming face to the young man.

Jake anxiously.

"It was summik common I know-an' yet | 'aven't!" quite 'arm'ess." pursued Miss Nudds, without · Blaggs '--- Craggs '--- 'Blagdell '--- " "Lagden," quietly suggested the young man.

"That's it!" exclaimed Miss Nudds excitedly. young man, with a grin. "Now, wot if I tell you summink clse? Wot if I was to say that I know this 'ere Mr. Lagden, an' know 'im to be a downright good 'un. None of yer 'alf an' 'alf sort o' men; but one of 'em as is rollin' in it, an' really means the straight thing. 'Ow world it be now, if I was to bring this 'ere Mr. Lugden back to 'is wife agen?"

"We!!--if you come to that," said Miss Nudd -"it seems to me it wouldn't be a bad idea. Wot a funny thing you should jist 'appen like that to know 'im! I remember now she's bin walkin' about 'er room this last few nights; I've 'eard 'er."

"That settles it," said the young man, with grim nod. "It's about the luckiest thing ever 'appened, fer me to come acrost you; won't she

be glad w'en we brings'em togevver?" "I suppose so," said Miss Nudds, a little doubtfully.

"Course she will," replied Jake quickly. "Ow 'e could have run away licks me. But there, a man never knews 'is luck, does 'e? Now, I suppose, Miss, you'll be movin' 'ome."

They strolled homeward together, and on the information concerning Lagden and his bride of which Miss Nudds was possessed. Arriving at the little iron gate, which was destined to shut off Miss Nudds from the world for another week, the young man suddenly recled, and leant against the girl somewhat heavily.

" Anythink the matter?" she asked anxiously. "No-only a bit faint," said Jake. "I reckon a glass o' water would set me up agen." Miss Nudds hurried down the steps, briskly

"Now you've 'it it," said Miss Nudds ap- informing him that she would be back in "'alf been very impatient, or else much more faint than he had anticipated; at all events, he slipped down the stops after her, and met her in the little passage outside the kitchen door.

"I'll sit down a minute, Miss, if you don't mind," he said, and calmly walked past her into the kitchen. There he seated himself on a wooden chair, and smiled faintly at her.

"Donno w'en I've come over so queer," he said. "Come to that, I don't think that I fancy water, after all; if you 'appen to 'ave a glass

"Well, I dessay I might risk it fer once," said Miss Nudds. "Taint often a gel gits a

The young man recovered from his faintness "Painful, ain't it?" said Jake, with a sigh, | the very instant the girl had passed through a "Accordingly, we takes a lodger, if you side door, into what was apparently a cellar. Newchwang girl had returned with a jug. And he seemed | Kiaochau

"You'll feel better after that," said Miss

"I'm stronger than I was," said the young man, after draining the beer at a draught. "Many people sleep in this 'ouse?" he asked carelessly.

"Not many," she replied. "There's master, an' young Master George, an' the three young 'uns, and the young lady."

"The married one?" he asked, in a whisper.

It was at this moment that a heavy step was heard above, and a voice called down the stairs somewhat impatiently-

"Jane! Jane!" Miss Nudds got up quickly, and crossed the room. "Master!" she ejaculated-" 'e mustn't come down 'ere."

"Say I'm your cousin," said the resourceful Jake, as the footsteps resounded on the stairs. "Keep a stiff upper lip."

The door opened, and the figure of Mr. Clement Frith appeared. He frowned heavily at the obsequious young man, who had risen from his chair, and was bowing continuously

"Jane, what is this?" asked Mr. Clement

"This—this young man, Sir—my cousin!" British

"On 'er mother's side, sir," corroborated the young man. "We ain't met for a age; I jest dropped in to-right, bringin' a message from me mother to 'er." At the same moment the visitor dexterously concealed the glass which stood upon the table, and continued bowing contains the names of over "Oh-very good-very good," said Mr.

Clement Frith. "I do not usually approve of this kind of thing; but once in a way it doesn't matter. Jane, I suppose this young man is going now?" "This very minute, sir," said Miss Nudds.

Mr. Clement Frith turned with a nod, and went upstairs. At the last moment, as he reached the head of the stairs, he called sharply to Jane, and she ran out in response.

"Jane, be careful to see that those lower doors are fastened," he said.

"Certainly, sir," said Miss Nudds. Left alone in the kitchen, the young man laid a finger against his nose. "Jake Mealing," he

said slowly, "you're in luck." Miss Nudds, coming down into the kitchen a moment later, was hurt and disappointed to find it empty; she looked all about, but the young

"Well, some people ave got manners!" she exclaimed. "After all 'e's said, 'e might have waited to say good-night, an' not slipped out "Don't you 'urt yerself, Miss," suggested like that. But there, it's like all the men; you never know w'en you've got 'em, an' w'en you

But Miss Nudds was wrong; oven while she noticing the interruption. "Now was it spoke, Mr. Jake Mealing was drawn up close against the wall in the darkened little passage outside. While Miss Nudds proceeded, somewhat noisily and aggressively, to fasten the Wot a funny thing you should 'ave it so pat!" | bolts and bars, Mr. Mealing, slipping off his was always good at guessin'," said the shoes, stole quietly upstairs in the wake of the unconscious Mr. Clement Frith.

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